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I am sorry for the delay in responding to your letter of August 1, in which you enclosed correspondence from your constituent. She inquired about United States Government support for refugees in Portugal, Cambodia, Uganda, and Afghanistan.

The most significant portion of U.S. aid for refugee relief in all areas of the world is donated through various international agencies, primarily the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). In fiscal year 1981, the United States contributed \$45 million in food and other assistance to victims of the refugee disaster in Kampuchea and nearly \$90 million in support for the more than 2 million Afghan refugees who are in asylum in Pakistan. Of this, approximately \$40 million has consisted of food contributions. The United States contributes two-thirds of the total food donated for the relief effort in Pakistan.

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Yours sincerely,

**Richard Fairbanks**  
**Assistant Secretary**  
**for Congressional Relations**

The Honorable  
Bill McCollum,  
House of Representatives.

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